

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LIZA GOLD,

Plaintiff,

v.

CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, et  
al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 23-cv-03414-RFL


**ORDER DENYING DEFENDANTS'  
REQUEST TO EXCLUDE ARI  
GOLD'S TESTIMONY ABOUT  
CONSENT TO TAKE THE TRUCK**

Defendants seek to exclude the portion of Ari Gold's criminal trial transcript suggesting that Gold thought he had consent to take the truck. (*See* Dkt. No. 147 at 76:5-77:2). However, because Plaintiff has also designated the trial testimony in which Gold admits shortly afterwards that he pled guilty to taking the truck without the owner's consent, the risk of confusion from admitting that portion of testimony is low. (*See* Dkt. No. 147 at 77:19-23). Moreover, the context around Gold's taking of the truck, and his mindset while doing so, is relevant to his motives and actions once in the house. Defendant's request is therefore **DENIED**.

This ruling does not change the Court's prior ruling precluding Defendants from introducing Ari Gold's vehicle theft conviction records. Indeed, because Plaintiffs are already placing into evidence the trial testimony in which Gold admitted that he pled guilty to this offense, the probative value of such conviction records is further reduced.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: May 16, 2025

  
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RITA F. LIN  
United States District Judge